



what's your beach?

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One of our state's most famous features is our fantastic array of beaches. In fact, South Carolina has so many miles of ocean shore that we can offer a type of beach that fits your style (or styles). A simple, highly unscientific test can help you answer the all-important question: What's my beach?



1. If I can take only one item to the beach, is it:

- a. Sunscreen with humectants, emollients, collagen, elastin with a hint of vitamins A and E.
- b. A Little Tykes® wagon loaded with every sand toy known to man.
- c. My sand wedge.
- d. A fishing rod.

2. My beach read would be:

- a. *Pamper Me: I Deserve It.*
- b. *Parenting is not for the Weak!*
- c. *Turn Birdies into Eagles.*
- d. *Taking Everything to the Extreme.*

3. Waves are great for:

- a. Creating the perfect white noise for napping.
- b. Jumping, skimming, floating, bobbing and riding.
- c. Watching from the clubhouse.
- d. Surf fishing, parasailing, jet skiing and kayaking.

4. The perfect distance from my room to the ocean is:

- a. Half the distance to the spa.
- b. As far as a five-year-old can walk in a wet towel.
- c. I only measure the distance to the first tee.
- d. Just outside my tent.

5. The ideal beach outfit is:

- a. That cute little bikini I found at the mall.
- b. Little Swimmers®, Crocs®.
- c. Plaid shorts, solid shirt, visor.
- d. Tevas®, cargo shorts, T-shirt.

If you answered.....

Mostly "a" – You might think about the Lowcountry/Resort Islands and Historic Charleston & Resort Beaches areas for spas, shopping, dining, exquisite hotels and luxurious stretches of beach. It's a great place to eat, drink and be catered to.

Mostly "b" – The place for you might be Myrtle Beach Area/The Grand Strand with lots of action for everyone. But, it's not just for families. This area draws college students, singles, couples and retirees because it's just so much fun.

Mostly "c" – You're thinking golf while at the beach. No problem. Of the 380 golf courses in South Carolina, scores are along our coastline. So grab your clubs, your buddies and the golf course guide on page 116 and come on.

Mostly "d" – You'll love the outdoor adventures like deep-sea fishing, windsurfing and kayaking all along our coastline. Look closely at the South Carolina State Parks on page 122 for some of the state's most scenic—and exciting—spots.

